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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line ²35, with the following rewritten paragraph:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The object of the invention is, therefore, to provide a transport device which allows [[a]] reliable transport of the basic carriers, together with the article carriers, on the transport element, without impeding access to the articles held by the article carriers ~~being impeded~~.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

To achieve this object, a transport device ~~which has the features mentioned in claim 1~~ is proposed. ~~It is distinguished in that~~ wherein the transport element itself is driven and consequently moves in the transport direction. ~~The result of this is that~~ This drives the basic carriers mounted on the transport element ~~are driven~~ along, without the need for further drive devices which would be provided along the transport path and would consequently obstruct access to the articles held by the article carriers.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

An exemplary embodiment of the transport device is preferred, furthermore, which has a magazine which can receive a number of article carriers. The magazine is oriented with respect to the transport path in such a way that an article carrier can be pushed out of a basic carrier and received by the magazine. A new article carrier can then be pushed out of the ~~latter~~ magazine or another article carrier into the basic carrier.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

An exemplary embodiment of the transport device is preferred, furthermore, which is distinguished in that the basic carrier has a basic body which is designed elastically at least in some

regions. In this case, ~~there is preferably provision for the basic body to be~~ is preferably designed elastically in such ~~a way~~ that it can adapt to the transport element when the ~~latter~~ element is guided via a deflecting roller.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Finally, an exemplary embodiment of the transport device is preferred including ~~which is distinguished in that~~ at least one actuation device ~~is provided, with the aid of which~~ aids one or more basic carriers ~~can to be~~ coupled to the transport element. This means ~~What is meant by this is~~ that the basic carriers are held on the transport element ~~in such a way~~ that they are moved forward not only on account of the friction between the rollers of the basic carrier and the transport element, but also by additional holding forces.

Please delete the paragraph at page 5, lines 3 and 4 in its entirety.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The invention is explained in more detail below with reference to the drawings in which:

~~figure~~ Figure 1 shows a basic diagram of a transport device in a top view;

~~figure~~ Figure 2 shows a cross section through a transport element of the transport device illustrated in ~~figure~~ Figure 1, along the line II-II illustrated in ~~figure~~ Figure 1;

~~figure~~ Figure 3 shows a basic diagram of the basic carrier reproduced in ~~figure~~ Figure 2, with an article carrier, in a top view;

~~figure~~ Figure 4 shows a basic diagram of a magazine cooperating with a transport device;

~~figure~~ Figure 5 shows a top view of a detail of a transport device according to ~~figure~~ Figure 1, and

~~figure~~ Figure 6 shows a front view of two basic carriers lying next to one another.